

LAST EDITION.

PROOF AGAINST GAS.

Mitchell. Had It Turned On in His
Room for Three Hours.

Once Before He Survived an All Night Exposure to It.

Reproaches a Policeman for Not
Letting Him Die.

Patrick Mitchell, a resident of Waterbury Conn., was early this morning removed from the Compton House, Third avenue and Twenty-fourth street, to Bellevue Hospital and placed in the insane pavilion. He had attempted suicide by turning on the gas in his

Mitchell is thirty-two years old, and an expert watch tool maker. He was employed for several years by the Waterbury Clock Company, which concern highly recommends him as a first-class workman.

Mitchell took a room at the Compton House. He was alone. About 1:30 this morning a couple who had just come in detected the odor of gas and notified the porter, who traced it to Mitchell's room. He got a step-ladder and opened the transom over the door to let

Policeman Keating, of the East Twenty-second street station, who was called, burst open the door of the room. As he entered Mitchell jumped out of bed and said:

"You wouldn't let me die, would you?"

In the room was a valise which contained clothing and a memorandum-book, on the cover of which was a picture of President-elect Cleveland. In the book was a pen-

"Dear sir: Will you please inform my brother of my death? His address is 51 East Sixteenth street, rear house. He will look after my body and pay all expenses."

Mitchell was able to walk to the station house in East Twenty-second street with Policeman Keating, Sergt. Hassincher by the desk. When Mitchell came in he looked

The Sergeant asked him why he tried to kill himself. Mitchell replied:

"I'm tired of living. But, Sergeant, I can stand more gas than any — man living. Last week I tried to kill myself with gas and I didn't die."

"Sergeant, I'll kill myself sooner or later if I had to choose between death and \$10,000."

The brother of Mitchell is a brass-worker and lives at 314 East Sixteenth street, where he was found this morning. It was learned from him that their father is a retired boot-maker, living at Waterbury.

for some time. There was something the matter with him. His mind was unbalanced and, besides, there was something else which only the family knew about.

Patrick had saved a few thousand dollars and last April went to England. It is believed he has spent nearly all his money.

(This would be suicide called at his brother's

At 8 o'clock Monday morning his brother received a note from Patrick telling him not to open the letter for a day or two until he heard from him again. The would-be suicide's brother told the police that he had the letter at home unopened.

4,000 PEOPLE STARVING.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 8.—Four thousand people in Concordia and Catahoula Parishes, in the northern portion of Louisiana, are on the verge of starvation, and unless relief is sent

The floods of last summer destroyed the crops, and the water remained on the earth so long that it was not possible to plant cotton or anything else beyond quickly maturing vegetables.

New Orleans have called meetings to raise funds for the sufferers. The New Orleans Board of Trade has sent \$5,000.

Miser Dead and His Family Starving.
TRUEDELL, Mo., Feb. 8.—Jake Stoke, a blacksmith, died here Monday of starvation.

monia, brought on by exposure. His little son died yesterday. The mother and three remaining children are nearly dead from starvation and hardship. Stoke is said to have been worth \$40,000.

Two Men Freeze to Death in Man

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 8.—Charles Merr
field, a farmer, perished during a blizzard
last week. A Winnipeg peddler has been
found frozen near Gretna. His body was in
sitting position.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 8.—H. W. Weir, Chief Justice of Idaho during Cleveland's Administration, died this morning of apoplexy, aged seventy years.

Identified as Mrs. Taylor.

the hallway at 161 East Fifty-seventh street has been identified. She was Agnes D. Taylor, aged thirty-four, wife of J. W. Taylor, 6300 East Fifty-eighth street. The cause of death was alcoholism.